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To whom it may concern:

I have had IBS since I was 14 years old. I am now 49. The best 30 days of my life medically were when I had Lotrenex prescribed for me in October 2000. My doctor thought it was worth a try, based on my symptoms even though only approved for women.

I had no adverse reaction and was able to live a normal life without worrying about being near a bathroom. It was what I had been waiting for for 35 years. I do all of the doctor recommended things for IBS, Lotrenex was the first medication that really works to relive the symptoms without narcotics like Lomotil which cause other side effects and are not effective in the long run.

Please strengthen the warnings but give me back a chance to use a medication that really makes a difference in my life. I would rather take an informed risk and be carefully monitored by my doctor than go to the bathroom 5-7 times a day.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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